

Study report on the minorities

†1250. SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:
DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Shri Zoya Hasan Committee, set up by the Planning Commission to study about minorities, has submitted its report;

(b) if so, whether it is also a fact that Chairman of the Committee, Shri Zoya Hasan has discussed the problems being faced by the minorities with Government; and

(c) if so, the point discussed and the decisions taken by Government with regard to the said discussion?

THE MINISTER OF MINORITY AFFAIRS (SHRI A.R. ANTULAY):

(a) Planning Commission set up a working group on "Empowerment of the Minorities" under the Chairpersonship of Dr. Zoya Hasan. The working group has submitted its report to the Planning Commission.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

State Level Minority Commission

1251. SHRI ABDUL WAHAB PEEVEE: Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some States are not showing interest to set up State Level Minority Commission; if is, the details of such States;

(b) the steps taken by Government to set up State level Commissions;

(c) whether a conference of Minority Commissions was held at Delhi recently; and

(d) if so, the details of subjects discussed and the outcome there of?

THE MINISTER OF MINORITY AFFAIRS (SHRI A.R. ANTULAY): (a) and (b) State Governments, which have not yet set up State Minority Commissions are, Arunachal Pradesh, Goa, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Kerala, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Orissa, Punjab, Sikkim and Tripura.

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